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SUBJECT: ANGOLAN ASSISTANCE

REF: STATE 197494

FOR AMBASSADOR FROM SISCO

1. AS INDICATED REFTEL, DEPARTMENT HAS ALREADY AUTHORIZED YOU TO MAKE POSITIVE RESPONSE TO COSTA GOMES REGARDING OUR WILLINGNESS TO BE HELPFUL IN MOVING PORTUGUESE REFUGEES FROM ANGOLA TO PORTUGAL AS WELL AS IN SUBSEQUENT RESETTLEMENT EFFORT. SECRETARY WANTS YOU TO UNDERSTAND HOWEVER THAT OUR WILLINGNESS TO BE HELPFUL IN THIS WAY DEPENDS ULTIMATELY UPON WHAT GOP POLICY IS IN ANGOLA.

2. IN YOUR CONVERSATIONS WITH COSTA GOMES AND OTHERS, THEREFORE, YOU SHOULD SEEK CONTINUING POLICY DISCUSSION IN ORDER TO DRAW OUT WHAT GOP INTENTIONS AND GENERAL POLICY ARE WITH RESPECT TO ANGOLA. WE WANT TO BE SURE THAT GOP INTENTIONS IN ANGOLA ACCORD GENERALLY WITH OUR OWN, OR AT

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LEAST ARE NOT DIRECTLY CONTRARY TO U.S. POLICY. FYI: YOU

SHOULD KNOW THAT THE EXTENT OF OUR WILLINGNESS TO BE OF ASSISTANCE TO PORTUGUESE, CERTAINLY WITH RESPECT TO RESETTLEMENT AND RELIEF OF REFUGEES INSIDE PORTUGAL, WILL

OBVIOUSLY DEPEND ON EVOLUTION OF PORTUGUESE POLITICAL SITUATION OVER NEXT SEVERAL WEEKS AND MONTHS; I.E., WE WOULD NOT WANT TO BE VERY FORTHCOMING IF PRESENT RADICAL, REPRESSIVE REGIME UNDER GONCALVES WERE TO CONTINUE. END FYI.

3. AS FOR OUR OWN OBJECTIVES IN ANGOLA, YOU CAN TELL COSTA GOMES THESE ARE AS FOLLOWS:

A. TO END THE MILITARY CONFRONTATION.

B. TO ACHIEVE A PEACEFUL TRANSITION TO INDEPENDENCE UNDER A GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE OF ALL ELEMENTS OF THE POPULATION.

C. TO ENCOURAGE AN EVEN-HANDED PORTUGUESE POLICY WHICH ACCORDS EQUAL TREATMENT TO ALL THREE LIBERATION GROUPS.

D. TO AVOID ANGOLA'S BECOMING A SCENE FOR INCREASING MAJOR-POWER INVOLVEMENT.

E. TO PREVENT THE ANGOLAN SITUATION FROM DETERIORATING TO A POINT WHERE IT AFFECTS THE STABILITY OF OTHER SOUTHERN AFRICAN AREAS, PARTICULARLY THE DELICATE NEGOTIATIONS ON RHODESIA AND NAMIBIA.

F. TO ENCOURAGE A SOLUTION GUIDED BY PORTUGAL CONDUCTIVE TO A LONG-TERM, MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN ANGOLA AND PORTUGAL. MAW

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